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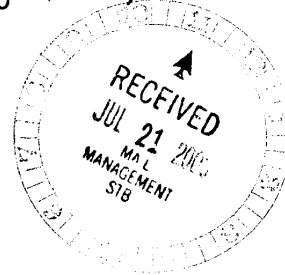
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Mr. Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, NW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

RE: Docket No. AB-3 (Sub-No. 132X); Missouri Pacific Railroad Company -- Abandonment Exemption -- Between Whitewater and Newton KS -- Notice of Consummation

Dear Mr. Williams:

By exemption served August 12, 1996 (included in Decision No. 44; Finance Docket No. 32760, Union Pacific Corp., et. al. -- Control and Merger -- Southern Pacific Rail Corp., et al., 1 S.T.B. 233), the Board authorized Missouri Pacific Railroad Company to abandon the above line. The exemption covers approximately 9.0 miles of rail line from MP 476.0 near Whitewater to MP 485.0 near Newton, in Butler and Harvey Counties, KS.

This letter is to advise that, on July 15, 2003, Union Pacific Railroad Company (as successor in interest to Missouri Pacific Railroad Company) consummated the abandonment of the above line.

An additional ten (10) copies of this letter are enclosed for the Board's files.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

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